



Mount Greylock State Reservation

Department of Conservation and Recreation

MAY 2022 PROGRAMS

All Programs are free and open to the public. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Reasonable accommodations available upon request. All programs **meet at the Mount Greylock Visitor Center** unless otherwise noted. Please follow all current COVID guidelines. Visit <u>Mass.gov/COVID</u> for guidance. For additional information and **weather updates**, call the Visitor Center at **(413) 499-4262**.

OPEN DAILY

VISITOR CENTER, 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Interpretive exhibits explore the park story through artifacts and displays. Trail maps, hike guidance, 13-minute orientation film,

SUNDAYS Ongoing

NATURE SCAVENGER HUNT, 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Free for all ages. Suitable for children and families. Adventurous quests invite you to search for natural treasures along park trails. Several "seek and find" scavenger hunts for different age and skill levels. **Program is self-guided.**

DAILY, Ongoing

SENSING SPRING TRIP TIP Self-Guided Adventure Free for all ages. Self-guided activity exploring in and around Mount Greylock State Reservation. Spring is in the air! Warm breezes and sweet scents awaken our senses, enticing us to get out and explore nature's long-awaited revival! Spring is a great time to explore the outdoors at these Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) properties in the northern Berkshires. **Start your adventure by clicking here** - https://www.mass.gov/doc/sensing-spring-mt-greylock-trip-tip/download

DAILY, Ongoing May 15 through June 15 2022

"GOODBYE WINTER, HELLO SPRING" StoryWalk® Free for all ages. Suitable for young children. Enjoy a story, fresh air and exercise! This self-guided walk through the visitor center meadows features the children's book "Goodbye Winter, Hello Spring" by Kenard Pak. Just follow the meadow trail and visit the laminated pages of the book posted along the path. A wonderful story is just ahead waiting for you, as you wander through our grassy, meadow paths on this very short, easy StoryWalk® stroll.

SATURDAY, May 21 Weather permitting

ROADS SCHEDULED TO OPEN for the 2022 season! Rockwell Road in Lanesborough and Notch Road in North Adams are scheduled to open to the Summit of Mount Greylock on Saturday, May 21 (weather permitting). Bascom Lodge is scheduled to open for the 2022 season on Saturday, May 28. For Bascom Lodge information, visit BascomLodge.net PLEASE NOTE: Public restrooms are not open at the Summit until May 28. For additional Mount Greylock information and weather updates, call the Visitor Center at (413) 499-4262.

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ATTENTION HIKERS:

BE PREPARED for variable Spring weather, dress in layers and wear sturdy boots. Hiking poles and traction devices for boots may be advisable. Spring trails may be muddy, icy or even snow-covered. Bring bug repellant, drinking water and a snack. Most guided hikes cancel in inclement weather. For additional information on programs and weather updates, call the Visitor Center at (413) 499-4262.

WEDNESDAY, May 11 and May 25 NICE AND EASY TRAIL HIKE, 1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. Free. Easy-paced, one to 3-mile guided hikes geared toward seniors, but open to all ages. A wonderful opportunity to join other hiking enthusiasts who share in the joy of the great outdoors! Dress appropriately for variable Spring weather; hiking poles and traction devices for boots may be advisable as Spring trails could be muddy or icy. Bring drinking water and a snack. Locations vary. Inclement weather cancels. Please call the Visitor Center in advance at (413) 499-4262 for meeting locations and weather updates. Program duration 90 minutes to 2 hours.

SATURDAY, May 14 MT GREYLOCK PHOTO GROUP MEET-UP: WATERSHED MOMENTS, 10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Free for all ages. This program is for everyone who loves nature and would love more opportunities to photograph the beauty of our majestic mountain landscapes! On this outing, we MEET at FARNAM'S CAUSEWAY off Route 8 in Cheshire. Take a short, easy walk alongside the Cheshire Reservoir on the Ashuwillticook Rail Trail. NOTE: Dress for variable Spring weather. Trails along the open water can be windy. Don't forget to bring along your camera, tablet and/or your cellphone camera. All skill levels are welcome! Program duration 90 minutes to 2 hours. For more information, visit www.facebook.com/events/481397637108695 or join the Mt Greylock Photography Group at https://www.facebook.com/groups/427752957932877 Please call the Visitor Center in advance at (413) 499-4262 for directions and weather updates.

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SPECIAL EVENTS

MAY IS PRESERVATION MONTH!

Every year in May, local preservation groups, state historical societies, and business and civic organizations across the country celebrate Preservation Month through events that promote historic places and heritage tourism, and that demonstrate the social and economic benefits of historic preservation. Preservation Month began as National Preservation Week in 1973. In 2005, the National Trust extended the celebration to the entire month of May providing more opportunities to celebrate the diverse and unique heritage of our country's cities and states. Check out our Mount Greylock Preservation Month programs below.

SATURDAY, May 28

Preservation Month Summit Tours PARKITECTURE - Building into the Landscape 1:00 p.m. and 2:00 p.m.

Free for all ages. Tour route is wheelchair accessible. Come discover the planned "Parkitecture" of historic Bascom Lodge. This charming structure, built by the Civilian Conservation Corps in the 1930s, was designed to fit within the landscape on the highest point in Massachusetts. A superior example of this rustic architectural style from the golden age of public park development. Today, the lodge is a demonstration of preservation success through DCR's Historic Curatorship Program, enabling future generations to enjoy mountain-top amenities. Estimated hike duration 30 minutes. Meet at the relief map at the summit. Parking fee may apply.

SUNDAY, May 29 and MONDAY, May 30

Preservation Month Summit Tours

Free for all ages. Tour route is wheelchair accessible. Memorial Day Weekend. Come explore the story of Mount Greylock's historic Massachusetts Veterans War Memorial Tower, the Commonwealth's tribute to the men and women who gave their lives in the service of their country. This 93foot tall majestic monument, crowned with a beacon light, can be seen for miles! Tour also highlights \$2 million restoration efforts, upgrades, energy conservation and new amenities.

A TOWER OF REMEMBRANCE, 1:00 p.m. and 2:00 p.m.

Estimated tour duration is 20 minutes. Meet at the summit by the War Memorial Tower. Wheelchair accessible. Parking fee may apply.